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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 26

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1 A Resolution recognizing the relationship between
2 Taiwan and the State of Iowa and endorsing the
3 signing of a bilateral investment agreement between
4 Taiwan and the United States.

5 WHEREAS, relations between the Republic of China
6 (Taiwan) and the United States, and in particular the
7 State of Iowa with which Taiwan shares sister-city
8 and sister-state ties, are marked by strong bilateral
9 trade, educational and cultural exchanges, and
10 tourism; and

11 WHEREAS, Taiwan seeks to contribute to greater
12 regional integration in the Asia-Pacific region
13 and further promote bilateral investment and trade
14 relations with the United States; and

15 WHEREAS, negotiations for a bilateral investment
16 agreement between Taiwan and the United States are an
17 important step toward further strengthening bilateral
18 trade and paving the way for entering into a free trade
19 agreement between our two nations thereby increasing
20 Iowa's exports to Taiwan and creating bilateral
21 investment and technical collaboration through tariff
22 reduction and other trade facilitation measures; NOW
23 THEREFORE,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
25 the House of Representatives affirms its commitment to
26 the strong and deepening sister-city and sister-state
27 relationships between Taiwan and the State of Iowa,
28 and endorses the signing of a bilateral investment

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1 agreement between Taiwan and the United States to
2 increase exports and facilitate trade and investment
3 with Taiwan; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the
5 House of Representatives is hereby directed to send a
6 copy of this Resolution to United States Secretary of
7 State John F. Kerry, the Taipei Economic and Cultural
8 Office in Chicago, Illinois, and the members of Iowa's
9 congressional delegation.